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| The amendment document filed on <u>18 July 2007</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. |
| THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT: 1. Amendments to the specification: A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings. B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined. C. Other |
| 2. Abstract: A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72. B. Other |
| 3. Amendments to the drawings: A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d). B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required. C. Other |
| ✓ 4. Amendments to the claims: ☐ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present. ☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims) ☐ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following status identifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended). ☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order. ☑ E. Other: See Continuation Sheet. |
| 5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or not signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4): |
| For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714. |
| TIME PERIODS FOR FILING A REPLY TO THIS NOTICE: |
| Applicant is given no new time period if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendment filed after allowance. If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the entire corrected amendment must be resubmitted. |
| 2. Applicant is given one month , or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a <i>Quayle</i> action. If any of above boxes 1. to 4. are checked, the correction required is only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. |
| Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) only if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action. |
| Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in: Abandonment of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action; or Non-entry of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment. Katherine Mitchell |
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Continuation of 4(e) Other: Examiner noted that claims 22 and 53 are labeled "Previously presented", but are not in any way amended from the original presentation. A preliminary amendment dated 6/10/2005 did maned these claims to remove the multiple dependency, and examienr notes that applicant did not indicate on the fee sheet any multiple dependent claims, so examienr assumes that the current amendment, with the multiple dependency back in for claims 22 and 53 is in error. Applicant should review and either amend the claims to remove the multiple dependency, or amend the status identifier to read "original" and submit fees for multiple dependent claims and claim fees for the extra claims.

Also, applicant elected claim 64, which examienr assumes is a typo. A revised election should be submitted to clarify the elected claims. .